

APPENDIX 4

BURGESS HILL TOWN COUNCIL

COVID GRANT APPLICATIONS NOVEMBER 2020

ORGANISATION	REQUESTED	AWARDED
Kangaroos Mid Sussex	£1,000	
Hurstpierpoint Gymnastics Club	£500	
UKHarvest	£1,824	
Total	£3,324	

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COVID GRANT APPLICATION NOVEMBER 2020	
NAME OF ORGANISATION	Kangaroos Mid Sussex
NUMBER OF BURGESS HILL MEMBERS/BENEFICIARIES	93 residents and their families
PURPOSE FOR WHICH GRANT IS SOUGHT	Contribution towards running costs
AMOUNT REQUESTED	£1,000
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	Estimated running costs £300k
OTHER SOURCES OF INCOME	
PREVIOUS GRANTS	2019 - £250; 2018 - £1,000; 2017 - £800; 2016 - £700; 2015 - £500; 2014 - £972; 2013 - £975; 2012 - £972; 2011 - £1,000; 2010 - £1,000; 2009 - £500; 2007 - £500; 2002 - £500; 1998 - £375; 1997 - £300; 1994 - £400
CONSTITUTION	yes
FINANCE	Statement of Accounts to 31 March 2020
SUMMARY COMMENTS:	
<p>Kangaroos is a registered charity that provide activities to over 200 families with children with learning disabilities and underlying health issues in Mid Sussex. During Lockdown earlier this year families were under enormous strain so Kangaroos created virtual services to provide regular contact and support. Zoom meetings and closed groups on social media were set up as well as welfare calls. The virtual programme has been invaluable to many families.</p> <p>Income significantly decreased during the lockdown period with a shortfall now of over £40k to raise. Staffing has been impacted with a redundancy and reduced hours.</p>	
FINANCIAL COMMENT:	
<i>Financial Snapshot</i>	
Income:	£ 508k
Surplus:	£ 12k
Reserves:	£ 176k
Forward cost cover	4 months
<i>Comment</i>	
<p>Although this organisation has a reasonable level of reserves at the end of March 2020, the applicant has stated they are expecting a shortfall in their budgeted income of 30-40%. Costs have been cut and staff furloughed, however, the pandemic could push the applicant into a deficit for the year.</p>	
No financial objection to grant application.	
GRANT AWARDED: £	

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COVID GRANT APPLICATION NOVEMBER 2020	
NAME OF ORGANISATION	HURSTPIERPOINT GYMNASTICS CLUB
NUMBER OF BURGESS HILL MEMBERS/BENEFICIARIES	94 BH children
PURPOSE FOR WHICH GRANT IS SOUGHT	Towards lost fees & income during Covid-19
AMOUNT REQUESTED	£500
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	To subsidise fees & gym kit for BH members
OTHER SOURCES OF INCOME	
PREVIOUS GRANTS	£150 in 2012
CONSTITUTION	yes
FINANCE	
SUMMARY COMMENTS:	
<p>Hurstpierpoint Gym Club provides classes for boys and girls aged 3-16 years at Hurstpierpoint Village Centre. A large number of Burgess Hill young people attend the classes. They fundraise to keep termly fees low (£40 for 12 classes) and subsidise gym clothing and total fees in some cases.</p> <p>During March to July they were unable to meet and therefore received no income, but still had outgoings for insurance and equipment storage. On restarting they faced additional cleaning costs. They have been unable to carry out their usual fundraising activities due to covid-19 so have lost income while the need among some families for financial assistance has increased because of financial hardship.</p>	
FINANCIAL COMMENT:	
<i>Financial Snapshot</i>	
Income:	£ 36,656
Surplus:	£ 66
Reserves:	£ 287
Forward cost cover	negligible
<i>Comment</i>	
Main source of income (subscriptions) has been badly hit and reserves are negligible.	
No financial objection to application.	
GRANT AWARDED: £	

BURGESS HILL TOWN COUNCIL	
COVID GRANT APPLICATION NOVEMBER 2020	
NAME OF ORGANISATION	UKHarvest
NUMBER OF BURGESS HILL MEMBERS/BENEFICIARIES	See community comments below
PURPOSE FOR WHICH GRANT IS SOUGHT	Towards the cost of providing the service – mileage, drivers & core costs
AMOUNT REQUESTED	£1,824
TOTAL COST OF PROJECT	£5,819
OTHER SOURCES OF INCOME	
PREVIOUS GRANTS	none
CONSTITUTION	yes
FINANCE	Financial Statements to 31/3/19
<p>COMMUNITY COMMENTS: UKHarvest is a registered charity that collects excess food and redelivers it direct free of charge to charities that support vulnerable people in the community. As well as nourishing those in need they also aim to ensure good food is eaten rather than going to landfill.</p> <p>In Burgess Hill, they deliver once a week to Age UK's Cherry Tree Centre and the YMCA looked after care leavers project, which accommodates 5 young people. They deliver some staples to the YMCA such as pasta, rice, sauces etc, also sometimes some fresh veg and baking materials. They were able to provide more food, including meat, to Age UK during the lockdown although the weekly amount they receive has appears to have decreased since then.</p> <p>UKHarvest has lost income due to cancelled fundraising activities whilst demand for the service has increased.</p>	
<p>FINANCIAL COMMENT: <i>Financial Snapshot:</i> It is not possible to provide a meaningful financial analysis due to the way this organisation has been funded in that a substantial donation (£467k) was received in 2018 to fund projects in 2018 and 2019.</p> <p>Comment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The applicant has stated they have lost some £70-£100k from cancelled fundraising events, however, to the year 31/03/2019, total income amounted to only £40k. The basis of this claim is not apparent. There is a sizable amount of money (£72k) being paid to consultants in 2018/19 (£60k to one individual). This seems high in comparison to income being earned. The grant is for 50% funding towards mileage costs to deliver once a week to Burgess Hill throughout the year. As the operation is based in Chichester, that's an 80 mile round trip (with some deviations) and would equate to circa £1,200 in petrol per year. 50% of this would be £600, however, allowing for other costs such as insurance & maintenance, £900 would be reasonable as a 50% share. The applicant is requesting £1,824 representing 50%. <p>If Members are minded to approve this application, consideration should be given to the level of grant awarded.</p>	
GRANT AWARDED: £	